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Karen Green leaving for higher calling

By Beth A. Merrill '94
News Editor Emeritus

"I was not fired, nor was I asked to leave," Director of Multicultural Affairs, Karen Green stated, putting rumors to rest concerning her

PHOTO BY ALICIA WHITE DAVIS'97

Karen Green

recently announced resignation.

Green, who has been at Hamilton since November, 1990 emphasized that her "decision to leave is not based on the fact that I have not been challenged or rewarded in my work here. I have. But I'm answering at this point in time a different call—the call to ministry." Green hopes to attend Colgate-Rochester Divinity School or Candler School of Theology at Emery in Atlanta to earn a masters degree in Divinity after 3 years. During the program, Green will be placed in a service area, such as a hospital, to do an internship while studying. She felt it was too soon to predict after that, but can see herself in a college chaplaincy position. "I feel my gifts lie in working with young, college-age people," she said.

Community Bittersweet

Students and faculty alike are still somewhat surprised and bittersweet at the news. Green explained, "If people don't know me, that came as a surprise. People who do, feel it's a very likely move and can see the transition. I do not separate my spirituality from my everyday life."

Jeff Spahn'95, President of the GLBSA (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Alliance) says that although he is "not big into religion, but when I heard she was going into ministry I respected it and her for doing it—I respect her need to hear her higher calling."

Namita Goswami '94 said, "I think it's really wonderful that she knows what she wants to do with her life and that she's so committed."

"She sees her calling as [something] that will make her a better person for dealing with students, so this is good for her and for students who she might come in contact with," remarked BLSU (Black and Latin Student Union) President, Valrie Barrett '94.

President Gene Tobin was "deeply disappointed" at the news, but said he "also respects her personal wishes to answer her "call" to the ministry. He says that Green has "brought a genuine sense of integrity and humanity (to Hamilton) and successfully made the issues of multiculturalism a concern for the mainstream community. "

Jennifer Lotufo '96, President of La Vanguardia who met Green last year through her job said that she was originally an "employer and friend, but is now more like a mentor and mom away from home. Ms. Green helped me to be able to say who I am in a school where everybody wants to define [and label] you," she added.

Tracy Hildebrand '96 who first encountered Green at last year's "Speak Up," said Green "has motivated me to take a stand and to become involved in making Hamiltona more accepting and comfortable place for all students. I can only hope to make the difference in someone else's life that she has made in som many of ours."

Out of her way

When Green was appointed to her position in 1990, its job description had just been rewritten and Green felt that the person hired would need at least five years to fulfil the 3 page

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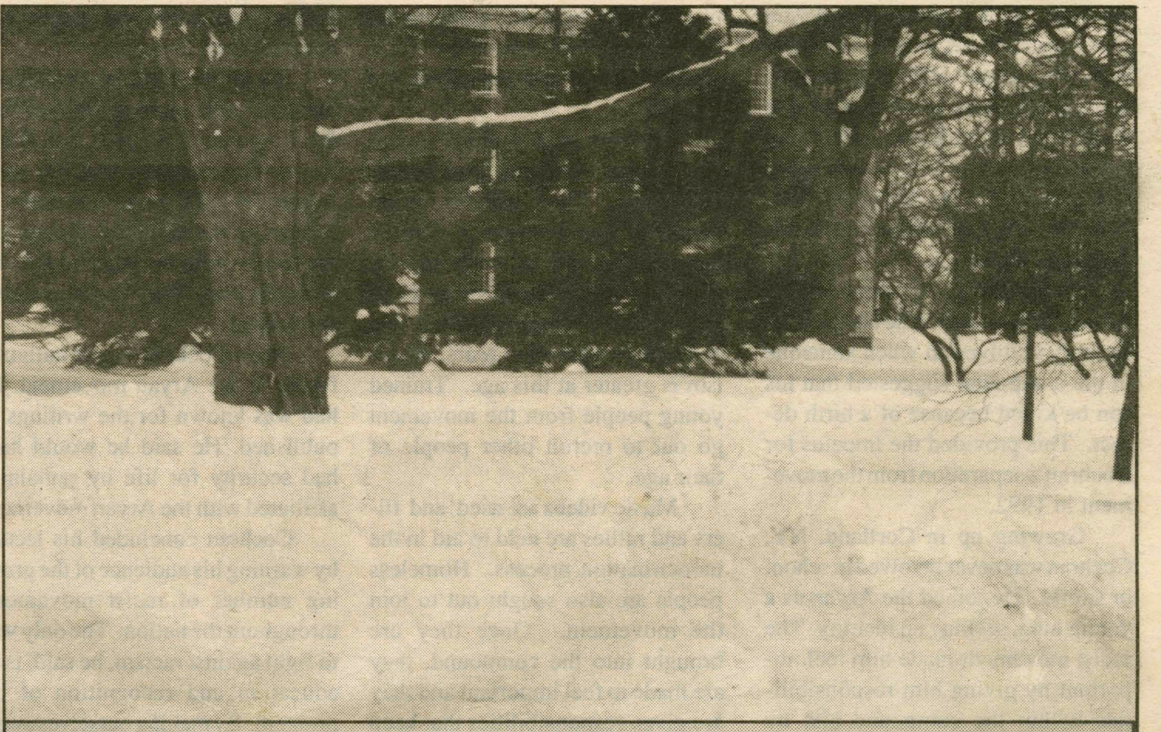

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A powerful winter storm dumped more than two feet of snow on campus Thursday. It was the first storm in several years to shut the college. College Hill Road was nearly impassable despite the efforts of snowplows to keep it clear. Fourteen stranded dining hall employees spent last night in Bundy Residence Hall

Controversy arises over R.A. incident

Letter to the editor sparks call for action

By Jim D'Aleo '95 & Eric Ritvo '96
Editor-in-Chief and Managing Editor

Editor's Note: This article is an investigation of the incident described in a Letter to the Editor submitted by Geoff Trukenbrod '94. In the interests of privacy for both the victim and the resident advisor in question, names will not be used in the article. The victim will be referred to as Y, to keep in line with Trukenbrod's letter, and the resident advisor will only be known as such. While the refusal to print the name of the resident advisor may cause some distress to some, particularly those resident advisors to whom this does not refer, the editors felt this was the only option considering the sensitivity of the situation.

According to a complaint issued by Y, last spring, a current resident advisor "massage[d], grope[d], and pinched [Y's] nipples" while intoxicated at a social gathering.

The R.A. in question was brought up before the Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault Grievance Board last fall on a charge of sexual harassment of a physical nature. An investigation into the incident was conducted by Dean of Students Jan Coates and Board Chairperson Shelly Haley. Then, they took all relevant information to the Board, and they found the R.A. responsible of the charge and placed the R.A. in "a status of warning." Further, the R.A. was forced to write a letter of apology to Y. A copy of the Board's findings was placed in

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Residential Life Study to be addressed at trustees' meeting

By Gabriel Meyer '96
News Editor

This weekend, the Hamilton College Board of Trustees will hold their third meeting of the '93 - '94 school year. Expected to dominate the agenda at the meeting are issues related to the Residential Life Survey conducted last semester.

Tentative results of the survey will be released to trustees and members of the Planning Committee and the Student Affairs Committee. George Dhene, head of George Dhene and Associates which conducted the Residential Life Survey, is expected to announce the results of the survey to the two committees in a closed- door meeting on Friday afternoon. In the meeting, Dhene will present the results and offer preliminary analysis of the findings. Survey results will not be released to the student body until after Spring Break.

During the Saturday meetings, efforts will be made to form a Residential Life Survey Committee consisting of trustees, students, and faculty members. This committee will formulate its own recommendations for changes stemming from the survey. President Eugene Tobin hopes

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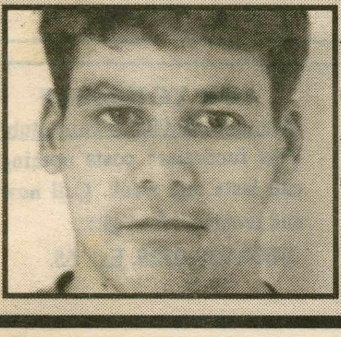

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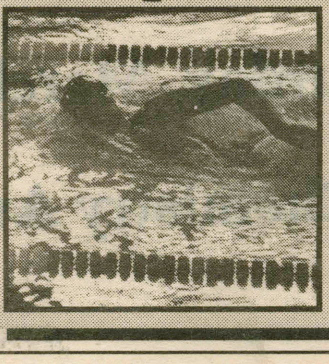

Turn to page 16 to read about the men's swim team victory at States.

Former Aryan racist speaks

By Bari Altberg '97
News Staff Writer

On Wednesday night in the Chapel, former Aryan racist Floyd Cochran spoke about the Aryan movement and his past involvement in it. No longer affiliated, he now lectures and tries to educate people about this in hope of atoning for what he has done. The lecture was sponsored in part by the President's Office, the Office of Multicultural Affairs, and Hillel.

Two years ago, Cochran left the Aryan compound that he had been so actively involved in when someone in the compound suggested that his son be killed because of a birth defect. This provided the impetus for Cochran's separation from the movement in 1992.

Growing up in Cortland, NY, Cochran was never involved in school or sports. He joined the Aryan as a young man, seeking an identity. The racist movement made him feel important by giving him responsibilities within the compound and by constantly being told that he was superior to others.

Christian Identity, which the Aryan movement preached, is a Bible-based religion that teaches that white people are the sons of God, while Blacks and Jews are sons of Satan. Because this movement provides a religion, it is easier for its followers to be indoctrinated. Christian Identity provides a scapegoat for the movement and allows for a spiritual aspect that the people are looking for.

Cochran stated that racist movements work hard to gain their followers. They usually target people of ages between 14 and 25 because they are the most impressionable. It is easier to get an 18 or 19 year old to commit a racist crime and to play upon their fears. Idealism is greater at this age. Trained young people from the movement go out to recruit other people of their age.

Music videos are used, and fliers and rallies are held to aid in the indoctrination process. Homeless people are also sought out to join the movement. Once they are brought into the compound, they are made to feel important and they are given responsibilities that keep them there.

Cochran emphasized that the racist movement is all encompassing and contains many different types of people with different views and occupations. A large number of women are coming into the movement. They have provided an infrastructure for the movement and act as teachers for the younger children, political protestors and support systems for their husbands.

In addition to Aryan compounds, there are other organizations such as the American Nazi party and White Aryan Organization that are more aggressive. These groups could be labeled as the skinhead groups and are responsible for more of the violent activities. They focus on racism and hatred.

Floyd Cochran was an authority figure in the Aryan movement. He had was known for the writings he published. He said he would have had security for life by remaining affiliated with the Aryan movement.

Cochran concluded his lecture by warning his audience of the growing number of racist movements throughout the nation. The only way to fight against racism, he said, is by education and recognition of the problem. By making ourselves aware of these movements and the capabilities of a racist, we are one step ahead of them, he said as he ended his talk.

News from other Ivory Towers

—Compiled by Chris Marcisz '97

Sexual discrimination case filed against Colby College

Late last semester, former Colby Assistant Music Professor Becky Gerber filed a sexual discrimination suit in Federal Court against the College. Gerber claims she was treated unfairly while at Colby and that she was denied tenure on the basis of her sex.

She cites having to teach between six and eight courses per year, while the male professors in the music department taught no more than five courses per year. She also claims that she was denied tenure unreasonably, although the committee that made the decision has not received any complaints from students or staff. (The Colby Echo)

Trinity President selected to be next head of Amherst

Thomas R. Gerety, the current president of Trinity College in Hartford Connecticut, has been selected to become the 17th president of Amherst College. The decision was reached last month, and he will assume office on July 1 from current Amherst president Peter R. Pouncey. The 47 year old Gerety is described as Amherst's first "baby boomer" president. (The Amherst Student)

Adler Conference to be postponed

By Eric Gershon '97
News Staff Writer

This year's Adler Conference has been postponed due to a shortage of student participants. Originally scheduled for Saturday March 5, the conference has been tentatively rescheduled for an unspecified Saturday in April.

The conference, first held in 1963 and called the Higby Conference, is an annual event which seeks to bring together faculty, staff and students who are concerned with improving the quality of life at Hamilton. Said Nancy Thompson, Associate Dean of Students and advisor to this year's Adler Chairpersons, Myron Brown, Namita Goswami and Andrew Solmmssen, "[The Adler Conference] is not just an opportunity to discuss issues, but one to voice ways we can actually address the issues. It's an action oriented event."

A brunch for the participants will open the conference, after which President Tobin will deliver the keynote address. After the speech, participants will separate into small groups of about ten people, each group being composed of faculty, staff and students, which will presumably provide a diversity of opin-

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Residential Life Survey to dominate trustees' agenda

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that the committee will be ready to present its recommendations by December of this year and that they be implemented at the beginning of the 1995 - 1996 academic year.

"I don't think things will stay status quo," said Dean of Students Jan Coates. She noted that in addition to helping decide controversial issues including the future of private societies at Hamilton, survey results will be used to help plan the renovations that residence halls on the south side of campus are expected to undergo during the next several years.

"This will be our first time looking at the [survey results]," Coates added, cautioning that the evaluation process may exceed the time frame currently planned. The formation of the Residential Life Committee this weekend is not a certainty. Even if its members are appointed as planned this weekend, it may not be ready to offer its conclusions until early 1995.

Response to the Residential Life Survey has been high. More than 80 percent of students and over 70 percent of faculty members responded to it. In addition, 150 telephone surveys were conducted in which perspective students who had recently visited Hamilton were interviewed.

Also on the agenda for the trustee meetings are presentations made to the board by the Budget and Finance Committee, the Buildings, Ground, and Equipment Committee, the Honorary Degree Committee, the Instruction Committee, and the Admission Committee.

The last of these presentations is expected to contain good news as the Admissions Committee announces that applications for admission into the Class of 1998 are up more than 300 from this time last year when applications were being reviewed for the Class of 1997.

Unlike the trustee meeting last year at this time, there will be no open forum in which students can directly voice their thoughts an concerns to the Board of Trustees. Dean Coates said she hopes such a forum will again be held at a future trustee meetings.

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Protests rise against convicted R.A.

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that R.A.'s file in Residential Life as part of the sanction.

The victim was angered by the aftermath of the case which was not heard until mid to late October due to the training of the Board.

The sanction was handed down on November 30, 1993. After weeks of talking to Haley and Coates in order to try to force the R.A. to follow his sanctions and write the letter, Coates finally received the letter on December 14. Y was notified and shown the letter, which both parties found unacceptable. Y was told that it is common procedure for the letter to be turned into Coates so that it can be decided whether it is acceptable, which in this case it was not.

Two to three days later, a second letter arrived at Y's home. Attached to it was a cover letter in which Coates wrote that this letter met the spirit and letter of the sanction. According to Y, this letter was eight lines long and concluded with, "I apologize for making you feel uncomfortable." The extent of the letter angered Y. As Y stated, "I had charged [the R.A.] with sexual harassment of a physical nature, not with making me feel uncomfortable." Y continued, "[In my view,] he still has not admitted he harassed me."

Y also expressed disillusionment with the amount of time both Haley and Coates took to act on the R.A.'s refusal to write the letter.

"There were times I felt like they [Coates and Haley] were saying 'Why are you [Y] pushing so hard?" Y said.

Coates and Haley cannot respond to these charges against the handling of Y's case because they are bound by the rules of the Board, which state that all aspects of the case are confidential.

Y said the reason that the letter was so important was because "it [the letter] is the only tangible evidence that I won this case."

The R.A.'s Job Status

One of the sanctions that Y asked for was that the R.A. be removed from his position. The Board does not have the power to demand the removal of an R.A.; the final decision on every R.A.'s employment falls on Director of Residential Life Rebecca Reed. Reed said she found out last spring that an incident took place. She was informed of the decision sometime in December. The decision to retain the R.A. was not an easy one.

"I had several conversations with the R.A." Reed said. "It is something I have been thinking about for quite awhile."

After these conversations and considering the fact that the incident happened while that person was not an R.A. and as an R.A., his record was spotless, Reed decided that the best decision was to retain the R.A.

Y did not agree that retention was the correct decision. Y brought up other instances where R.A.s admitted to committing other, lesser transgressions and the R.A.s were removed. Y perceives the reason that this R.A. was not fired was because he did not admit his guilt, and thus he was allowed to stay in his job.

"I have a problem with the idea that removing an R.A. hinges on the admission of guilt," Y said.

Reed states that if the R.A. was put on a status of probation, he would have been removed immediately.

"There is no motivation for me to keep anyone on staff who may be harassing advisees," Reed said. We have qualified alternates who could easily fill the position."

Both Reed and Y worry about the R.A.'s advisees. That is one of the reasons why, Y said, removal from the staff was asked as a sanction. Reed has also looked into the situation in the R.A.'s dorm and continues to do so.

"If I thought on any level... there would be any sexual harassment," Reed said. "He would not be on staff."

Y is worried about that chance.

"If he gets this way when he is drunk... he loses his perception of right and wrong, "Y said. "There is a chance he could do this to someone else...perhaps one of his advisees."

Green's departure saddens many

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agenda. Green feels she can leave Hamilton, "feeling good about my time here." In the 3 1/2 years she has served the Hamilton Community, she has "done everything they've asked of me" in the job description, as well as taking on additional responsibilities, including directing the first year orientation program and taking on the Womyn's Community center and the GLBSA.

Spahn sees this dedication in everything she does, explaining that the "Womyn's Center and the GLBSA were never part or her itinerary, but she took them on, [going] way beyond her role as an administrator. And she does it with a smile on her face." Spahn feels Green is a visible part of the community and "always sticks her neck out for us. She's not afraid to talk about these issues and is not intimidated by anyone. When I felt like there was no one else who would disuss the issues, she would always do it."

Problem Solver

Hong Gang Jin, Assistant Professor of Chinese said of Green, "whenever we [Asian Cultural Society] had problems—financial or administrative, she would solve the problem. Without her, we wouldn't have such a mature organization. She's a magical person who's done so much for minority students that we don't want to lose her."

Barrett echoed Jin saying, "Whenever problems arise, she's always the first to know and notify students. During crises, Green is there 100%, organizing with student leaders to let the college be aware."

Students played a key role in Green's dedication to Hamilton. "Making the decision to answer my call was a difficult one," Green continued. "I have been agonizing for several months now, because I was playing in my mind responses I knew I would receive from students. Such responses were heard when Green personally addressed the multicultural community with the news.

"I didn't go up and congratulate her after she told us," said Lotufo. "I didn't want to believe it for selfish reasons." Lotufo finally did accept it when she heard her reasons but still acknowledges, "Nobody will replace Miss Green." Barrett was also worried, saying, "What's going to happen now?"

"I don't feel it's abandonment; I feel multicultural students have been empowered and that empowerment can not be taken away. But I do challenge them to make steps forward, because the battle is not over."

The new search committee is composed of Dean of Students Jan Coates, HEOP (Higher Education Opportunities Program) Director, Christine Johnson and Green, in addition to one or more student and faculty members, who have yet to be selected. Coates said that notice of the vacancy was sent to the Hamilton Community last week and by next week it will be running nation-wide. She said she hopes to have already interviewed candidates by early May, and that the position will be filled by the end of the school year.

Tobin feels that with the three other searches for the replacement of other key administrators, including a new Dean of Faculty, Dean of Admissions and Vice President of Communications and Development well uder way and "in capable hands, I'm very confident about the outcome" of the search for the new director, although it's a "personal loss [to lose] someone who loves Hamilton and has made such a tremendous impact," Tobin added.

Green plans to remain at Hamilton through the summer to help with HEOP's (Higher Education Opportunities Program) summer program, and until late August to oversee the First-year Orientation Program.

Adler to be rescheduled

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ion. Had the conference been held this Saturday, as originally planned, trustees who are on campus to attend a quarterly meeting of the board, would have provided yet another valuable perspective to the conversations.

The recent Pub Nights are largely the product of last year's Adler Conference. According to Thompson, students at last year's conference complained of a dirth of social activity on campus, a feeling largely exacerbated by the then-recent change in the school's alchohol policy, which prohibited kegs or large quantities of liquor in the residence halls.

Proposed uses of the Beinecke Village, the construction of which was then incomplete, also dominated last year's conference.

Although the postponement of the conference was necessary, Thompson lamented the fact that the trustees will not be on campus to attend in April. She said that the trustees are able to provide a perspective, largely financial, which students and faculty to not have. The trustees know what is financially feasable, a knowledge which would help to focus the discussions.

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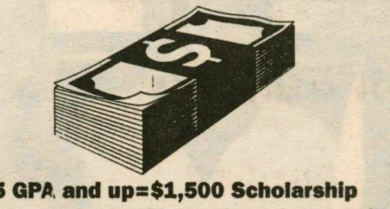
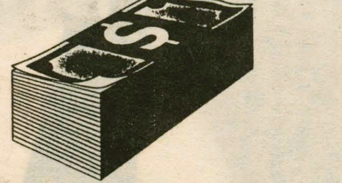

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Taylor plunges into politics:

Initiates bill to ban female circumcision

WRITTEN BY FEATURES STAFF

Hamilton's own Stephanie Taylor '95, currently interning with Assemblywoman Barbara M. Clark (D-Cambria Heights, Queens), is being touted for instigating a bill to ban female genital mutilation in New York State. Taylor, a public policy major, conducted research that convinced Clark of the issue's importance. The bill, modeled on federal legislation currently stalled in Washington, would be the first introduced in any state.

The mutilation of female sex organs, commonly called female circumcision, is a fairly common practice in many African and some Asian countries. It is intended to ensure virginity and male domination by preventing a woman's sexual satisfaction. One of the most horrifying aspects of the practice is the youth of the victims. Usually performed by a family member or community leader, circumcision is often done on girls ten to fourteen years of age.

Taylor was alerted to the existence of female circumcision after viewing a segment devoted to the topic on ABC's "Nightline". After intensive research she brought it to Clark's attention, who was sufficiently convinced of the legitimacy of the problem.

The issue is of concern in New York due to the state's increasing immigrant population. Although the true extent that female circumcision is practiced in New York is not known

because of the small percentage of victims that show up in clinics, it is a growing problem. Thousands of women immigrate to the U.S. each year from countries that practice female circumcision, and they bring the practice with them. "This is going on in New York, and in New York City especially" said Taylor. "We're one of the centers for immigration in this country."

Female circumcision involves cutting or removing the clitoris and other external organs. In many cases, the vaginal opening is nearly sealed. Parents do not intend any evil to their children; they are acting on what they feel is in their daughters' best interest.

Clark's legislation would impose penalties as high as five years in prison for the person conducting the operation. Clark said that education is the key to ending female circumcision. An education bill will also be introduced.

As of Monday, Taylor was busy helping to write the new legislation and canvassing lawmakers. Her impressive political debut is a reassuring example of how a college student can, with hard work and persistence, have an impact on the "real world".

Information taken from the Albany Times-Union and Utica Observer Dispatch March 1,1994 editions.

Campus band covers local gigs

BY BENJAMIN BERKMAN '96
FEATURES STAFF WRITER

Fans of the recently reunited group The Band are probably familiar with the name Crazy Chester. It comes from a line in The Band's classic song "The Weight". Here at Hamilton we should also be familiar with Crazy Chester, as it is the moniker of our most popular student band.

Crazy Chester was organized by Joe Salvatore '94, Clayton Sullivan '96, and Will Morris '96, who were the core members of last year's campus band Slick Willy. After singer Bronson Pickett left the band to pursue a career in modeling, and bassist Scott Shipley graduated, the original three decided to regroup and keep playing. Sullivan and Morris sought out mutual friend Steve Prymus '96 to fill the void left by Pickett and Shipley. Having practiced several times with Slick Willy last year, Prymus said he instantly felt comfortable in his new position.

Crazy Chester still needed a singer and bassist, so they placed ads in The Daily Bull asking for students to audition. Out of a multitude of hopefuls, bassist Erik Saari '97 and singer Kim Ertly '94 were finally picked. Thus the only thing left to do was decide what kind of music to play. Although Slick Willy wrote many original songs, frontman Joe Salvatore decided it was time to

According to band member Steve Prymus '96, Crazy Chester's songs are "designed to please the crowd, but are still the kind of stuff we like to listen to also."

make a change. "We exhausted ourselves writing songs last year," he said. "It was really a matter of convenience. We could have sat in the Bundy basement for hours and wrote new songs, but instead we decided we'd rather just do covers."

Even though Crazy Chester is a cover band, they lend their own personal style to every song they play. Salvatore explains, "we jam out to the covers, giving them our own flavor." Anyone who has seen the band in concert knows this to be true. Sometimes the improvisational section of songs exceeds ten minutes.

Asked about Crazy Chester's choice of songs, Prymus described them as "designed to please the crowd, but still the kind of stuff we like to listen to."

Crazy Chester has been a frequent addition to Psi Upsilon Fraternity's Saturday night parties. Other venues have been The Garden Cafe and the Beinecke Activities Barn.

Considering future appearances, Will Morris expressed a profound interest in playing at the Sangertown Square food court. "I was there last year for the Miss Herkimer beauty pageant, and I thought it looked like a fun gig to play."

One reason for the band's success is the versatility of its members' talents. "Take Kim for example," Morris says. "Not only is she a great singer, but she can play the tambourine and cow bell as well."

Don't get toasted over Spring Break

By Diann Lynch
R.N.C.C.H.N.

Spring break is just a week away and whether you are going south to a warmer climate or out west to ski, you need to be aware of the dangers of the sun.

Exposure to ultraviolet rays of the sun causes the top layer of the skin to produce melanin, the pigment that makes your skin tan. If you overexpose yourself to the sun, or if you have a fair complexion, your skin cannot produce enough melanin to protect itself and it burns. Repeated exposure to the sun's rays will cause premature aging of the skin, but more importantly, it is a precursor to skin cancer.
You are at the greatest risk for a sunburn between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. when the sun is the strongest. At the beach, the sand and water reflect the sunlight and rays can penetrate down through three feet of water.

Snow also reflects up to eighty-five percent of ultraviolet rays, and at elevations of over 5000 feet on the slopes there is less atmosphere to filter out harmful rays.

Some drugs increase the skin's sensitivity to the sun. These include anti-biotics (especially tetracycline), diuretics, oral contraceptives, and Accutane. If you take prescription medication check with your health care provider about increased sensitivity.

To protect yourself, use a sunscreen with an appropriate SPF (sun protection factor) for your skin type. If you are very fair, blonde, or redheaded, use a product with an SPF of fifteen to twenty-nine. Brunettes need an SPF of eight to fifteen. Olive or dark skinned individuals should seek products with an SPF of four to fifteen.

Protect your lips with lip balm containing a high SPF. Lips are very sensitive and will burn easily. The corneas of your eyes can also burn, so protect them with good sunglasses that block out at least ninety-five percent of ultraviolet and infrared rays. This is an especially important precaution while skiing.

If you do get sunburned, get out of the sun and stay out. Take a cool bath and use skin moisturizers. If you have chills and a fever, are burned over a large area, or if your eyelids are burned, seek medical attention.

With common sense, you can have fun in the sun without unhealthy side effects.

Help kids at the CCC

(Cosmopolitan Community Center)

By Alison Rosenblum '94
Special to Features

Every Thursday at 3 o'clock, Hamilton students crowd into a Jeep Cherokee like clowns into a small car and prepare for a trip to the heart of Utica. They venture past downtown Utica, to the area near the bus station and hockey rink. Many Hamilton students would say they do not want to be caught here after dark. This however, is the location of the Cosmopolitan Community Center (CCC).

As one approaches the stark, gray building surrounded by smaller gray cubicles, a walk through the south side of campus comes to mind. However, the parallels with Hamilton end here. This is a place where people who live in the surrounding housing projects and neighborhood can engage in job training, social activities and counselling programs. The local children come to the CCC after school and on free days to play, socialize, eat, and do homework. Run by Ethel Walker, or "Miss T", the after school program provides these opportunities to kids who would otherwise be alone at home .

Ranging in age from kindergarten tojunior high, these children are not required to attend the program. It is an opportunity which they choose to take advantage of. Activities vary from day to day and range from pick-up basketball games to homework tutorials with various volunteer groups. Approximately 30 kids go to the center after school depending on the weather and nature of the day's activities.

Hamilton students who visit CCC weekly are immensely pleased with the experience. Hillary Mead '97 has enjoyed working with the kids because "they're so cute and open to us. They like having us come to help them. They always give us hugs goodbye." Megan Bronk '97 says "It feels good to be able to help the community."

HAVOC has provided students with a link to the Cosmopolitan Community Center for many years. Carl Stamm has run the program with incredible zeal for the past two years, recruiting more volunteers, finding new activities, and attempting to increase visits to the center.

The CCC always needs more volunteers in order to help a greater number of children. Those interested in the rewarding experience of helping the Cosmopolitan Community Center on Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. should call x1608.

Nutty white chunk cookies

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp. salt
1 cup light brown sugar,
1/2 cup white sugar
3/4 cup salted butter,soft
2 large eggs
2 tsp. pure vanilla extract
1 cup (4 oz.) pecans, chopped
1 1/2 cups (8 oz.) white chocolate bar, coarsely chopped

Preheat oven to 300 degrees fahrenheit.
In medium bowl combine flour, soda and salt. Mix well with a wire whisk. Set aside.
In large bowl with an electric mixer blend sugars at medium speed.
Add butter and mix to form a grainy paste, scraping down the sides of the bowl. Add eggs and vanilla, and beat at medium speed until light and fluffy.
Add the flour mixture, pecans, and white chocolate, and blend at low speed until just combined. Do not overmix.
Drop by rounded tablespoons onto ungreased cookie sheets, 2 inches apart. Bake 20-22 minutes or until edges just begin to turn golden brown. Use a spatula to transfer cookies immediately to a cool, flat surface.

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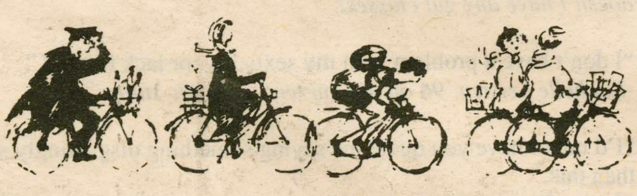

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QUOTABLE QUOTES

Geoff Trukenbrod

"If I ever feel that you are taking advantage of me, I'll let you know."
-Lisa Crisman '95 encouraging Rubin Rivero '95 to continue bumming cigarettes from her.

"What's the differnce between suck and blow?"
-Professor Gwen Dordick to her sociology class on proper word usage.

"Everyone feels so much better when they come into my room."
-Tracy Nasta '95 to Dave Schloat '95 on having the messiest room on campus.

"I'm into little people."
-Brynn Monaghan '97 on preferences in men. Are you referring to someone, or something, in particular?.

"There are only so many ways to deal with leftovers."
-Alex Peterson '96 defending the soup of the day in McEwen.

"If I put it on my tongue, it will just dribble down my chin."
-Nat Waterman '97 on chewing tobacco. You must be a great dinner date.

"They have a hockey team, it's called Hamilton."
-Josh Ribner '97 on the prospect of having a Psi Upsilon I.M. hockey team.

"I really don't care about apathy here."
-Amy Marquardt '94 on being a second semester senior.

"You'll never kill my parents again!"
-James Goldstein '97 to Andrew Edelson '97 while Sumo wrestling in the Events Barn. So, you sounded as stupid as you looked.

"If you spend all night on that one drink, you have to buy the entire bar a round."
-Village Tavern owner Jack Bushman to Eric Sussman '95 as Eric broke the 45 minute mark on one long island ice tea on his twenty-first birthday.

"He has a will of his own, he just agrees to everything I want him to."
-Jessica Peace '95 on her boyfriend. Seems like a good relationship . . . for you.

"If I catch you writing on someone's head in their own blood, I'll kick you in the butt."
-EMT instructor Alan Chrysler to his class on morality. Wow, way to crack that whip!

"He's got a really serious girlfriend . . . No wait, he's got two."
-Mike Seibert '95 on one of his friends.

"We are mathematicians, after all, because we love to avoid work."
-Professor of Mathematics Larry Knop. Who said that Hamilton doesn't have any gut classes?

"I don't have a problem with my sexuality, or lack thereof."
-Rochelle Leisten '96 on her current romantic status.

"I'd rather have you quote me saying something disgustingly sexual than that."
-Janice Carmello '94 after being caught saying something interesting about one of her professors.

"I don't think I should be dealing with the schizophrenics of the world, while I can't even handle my own problems."
-Suzy Nathan '94 on working at a mental hospital.

"He's a hook-up . . . You don't speak to him, you just hook-up with him."
-Anonymous sophomore female on respecting the opposite sex.

"I'll admit it. I have penis envy."
-Carl Greenhous '95 on being on the hockey team.

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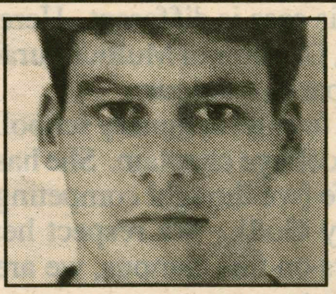
Hamilton Students must learn to respect opposing points of view

On Tuesday, Dr. Paul Cameron came to the hill to discuss homosexuality. His views were hard to accept for most people, myself included. They were extremist, homophobic, and, needless to say, highly controversial. I would very much have liked to have someone opposed to his viewpoints debate against him. And with views as extreme as his, I don't think finding someone would have been that difficult. His argument was wide open for attack because of the great incongruities, however I don't wish to discuss the content of the speech; suffice it to say I had a lot of problems with what he said. Instead, I would like to devote this week's column to the disgustingly rude behavior and poor taste that was exhibited by several groups and individuals toward Dr. Cameron.

One of the chief arguments I have with Dr. Cameron was that he was extremely close minded. The "open minded people" at this school, however, also displayed some of the most close minded and disrespectful behavior ever shown to a guest speaker at Hamilton. The first such action was the distribution of a flier urging people to boycott the speech. "Open minded", according to *Webster's New World Dictionary*, means "having a mind open to new ideas; unprejudiced." To pass out such a flier before the speech, before he had a chance to say what he wanted to say, before he had a chance to justify his beliefs, is obviously close minded. In defense of their speech, the "close minded" conservative club (of which I am not a member) reminded people they had no plans to boycott or disrupt the GLBSA sexuality weekend. To do so would be close minded indeed, not to mention obnoxious, childish and rude; this is a perfect description of the attempts by people to boycott the speech. Some very laudable people went to the speech believing that they would disagree with him, but they went anyway. They heard what he had to say and how he justified himself before they attacked him.

Another example of "open minded people" being extremely close minded was the premeditated, noisy, and highly distracting departure by a group of people. These people disturbed the speaker as well as people who were actually there to hear him and develop their own opinions. These people, like the people who attempted to get people to boycott the speech, did not give Dr. Cameron a chance to hear why he believes what he believes; they did not have "a mind open to new ideas." Besides showing the close mindedness of these people, their little demonstration exposed the lack of manners and tact they possess. These two groups, however, were not the only people that showed poor manners and ridiculous behavior. One student who disagreed with Dr. Cameron chose to make a public display of his enmity rather than to simply walk out quietly. This individual stood up, ripped up the literature, and littered the floor of the chapel with it. I might remind that person that Hitler also destroyed literature he did not like, and he certainly is not one to be emulated.

There is a respectful way to show disagreement and a very disrespectful way to show disagreement. The methods displayed fell into the latter category. I would have very much liked to see a person show Dr. Cameron the folly of his argument through an organized debate which would show both speakers the respect they deserve. This would have been an effective way to give (much needed) opposition to the arguments he presented. It would have been very easy to make Dr. Cameron look foolish as he presented his argument, however the tactics used did the exact opposite; the people who walked out and made a ruckus ended up looking foolish and that only served to elevate Dr. Cameron. In the process of creating this disturbance, those people only alienated themselves from the large majority of the student population that is rational and polite.



Hunter Chamberlin
Apple Pie

Hamilton is supposed to be an academic community. The way people learn and form their own opinion is to listen to other's opinions and decide whether they agree or disagree. I listened to Dr. Cameron and can now say I don't think his argument has any merit.

The behavior of my schoolmates, however, was embarrassing and disgraceful. If the same people who acted in this abominable manner hosted a speaker with an equally radical but opposing point of view, I am sure they would want that person to be shown more respect and dignity than they showed Dr. Cameron.

In the future, attempt to show speakers the respect you'd expect if you were speaking. If you choose not to go, don't make an issue out of it. However, if you do go, listen and hear what the speaker has to say. Don't be rude and distracting. Doing so undermines any validity one's argument against the speaker might have and damages the Hamilton reputation that so many people are working to improve.

Residential Life: who are they protecting?

It seems to me that the last thing one should do with a convicted sex offender is put him in a position of authority (I will use the masculine form for this article, although this could equally apply to women). Call me crazy, but I just don't think it's appropriate. If the offense happens after he's been hired, fire him or ask him to step down. However, it is not my job to oversee the activities of Resident Advisors, that duty falls on the Residential Life office. I think it's time we ask ourselves how good a job they're doing.

Last year I applied to be an RA, and did not get the position. You may think that this article is merely sour grapes that have had a year to fester and rot. If that's what you think, so be it. I know that the application process is quite extensive and is designed to provide Hamilton students with the best possible resident advisors. It would seem that it almost always works. However, it has recently come to light that two resident advisors are guilty of sexual harassment. One made graphic, sexually explicit phone calls to various students on the Hill (mostly males). The other physically harassed an unidentified individual known only as "Y".

The man who made the prank calls is no longer an RA; he resigned. The other individual remains on the staff today. Residential Life will tell you (if you ask) that they firmly believe that he poses no threat to anyone. Well, Rebecca Reed doesn't have to live with him does she. And what, you might ask, was the punishment for these offenses? A slap on the wrist, a letter of apology and a status of warning. I'm sure the survivor of the assault feels much better now (especially since he practically had to be forced to write the letter).

The worst part of this whole fiasco is that both RA's remain anonymous. At one point, even their fellow RA's didn't know about their extracurricular activities (of course now it's probably *the* hot topic in the old Res. Life office). Now, I understand the need to keep a victim/survivor's identity secret. The Sexual Harassment Grievance Board is supposed to be confidential. It is a precaution that protects the victim and provides a safer atmosphere for him/her to disclose. I also understand the necessity of keeping the topics discussed at RA meetings secret due to the sensitive and private nature of some of the things brought up. However, at least one of these men could, conceivably, pose a threat to the Hamilton community. This "keep-it-in-the-family" attitude is exactly the sort of thing I thought the Residential Life office, and the Administration as a whole, stood against. I guess I was wrong.

Bill Murphy
Dead Center

In my opinion, a sex offender has few rights. I'm sorry, but it is not necessary to keep the assailant's identity secret. Furthermore, I wonder if the Administration would have handled this differently if it was just some regular student rather than an RA. I know several people who have been put on social probation for offences that are so minor when compared to sexual assault that the very idea of a letter of apology seems ludicrous to me. Just think, Hamilton punishes a student who sneaks a beer into a hockey game more severely than one who sexually assaults another student. In fact, it seems to me that one student was actually rewarded. He's an RA now. No one knows who he is, and he is in a position that makes it very easy to take advantage of other students. There are valid reasons why the other perpetrator's identity is being kept secret. It is necessary for his protection and an explanation has been given for his uncharacteristic behavior. However, this current, "cover-up" type, situation sickens me.

I think the RA who commited the physical harrassment should be kicked off campus. I want them both to be disciplined in the same manner as any other student would be. And I want to know who the they are. If the Administration won't tell me, and the rest of the campus, then they should at least tell the advisees who live with the perpetrators. Both the advisees and the victims need an explanation at the very least. What they deserve is justice. These two men forfited their rights when they chose to violate another human being's rights. Had this been brought to the real authorities, then the perpetrators would have seen their names in a police blotter. But Hamilton, in its ever valiant attempt to create a spirit of community on campus, is doing what it has always done: protecting the perpetrator and ignoring the victim.

Furthermore, I don't want to hear some sob story about how they were going through rough times or how their parents can't find out because they'd kill them. Everyone goes through rough times. I haven't slept in two days, and I'm not making any prank phone calls or molesting my fellow students. The victims of these crimes certainly didn't turn around and begin a campaign of sexual assault using their unfortunate situations as a justification for inappropriate behavior. There are such things as right and wrong, regardless of individual circumstances. For example, it is *wrong* to violate or harass another person.

If enough people believe the individual who remains on the RA staff should be fired, then maybe the Administration will reconsider their decision to employ him. If not, I guess we'll have to wait until he strikes again. Perhaps after he's assaulted two students they'll take notice (of course maybe it will take three or four). The "prank-phone-call-man" may not have even gone before the Grievance Board yet, so maybe they'll be a little more stern with him. Students should not have to fear that their RA is going to assault them. He/she should be a support, not a threat. The Administration claims to promote the elimination of sexual harassment/assault. But my parents always said, "actions speak louder than words." I think we can all hear Residential Life loud and clear.

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EDITORIAL

Green: Another good one goes

Another administrator decided to leave Hamilton this week. The fact that someone is leaving should not really surprise anyone anymore (you thought the Jews left Egypt in a hurry?), but this case is different. Here, the individual is Karen Green, Director of Multicultural Affairs, and the reason of departure unique.

Green is leaving Hamilton to enter seminary school, with the hopes of becoming a college chaplain. She has found her higher calling in life (we thought competing with Williams was tough, try God). We respect her decision, but like many others on this campus, we are deeply saddened by her desire to move on.

Green came to Hamilton in 1990, but these four short years have showcased her wonderful talents. By organizing lectures, special weekends, and theatrical events, she encouraged us to take a closer look at the surrounding multicultural world. Most recently, she used her own musical talents in a pleasant performance during a Winterfest campus performance.

In all of her work, Karen Green epitomized the perfect Hamilton leader - caring, dutiful, and a true member of the community. Instead of meeting the bare minimum of her job requirement (can you say Dean of Admissions), she surpassed all expectations while redefining the position forever.

It is unfortunate that her leaving makes us wonder why so many faculty and staff are making the 1993-94 academic year their final one at Hamilton? Is the administration failing to create the intellectual, inspirational environment that these talented individuals desire and came here for? Are these people just as upset with Hamilton as a majority of the student body is? Which transfer rate is higher - students or faculty?

Regardless of the circumstances surrounding her impending departure, one thing remains clear. Karen Green is one of Hamilton's finest individuals. Her interpersonal will be particularly missed. We wish her the best and hope that if she ever wishes to return to a small, liberal arts school, she will be back.

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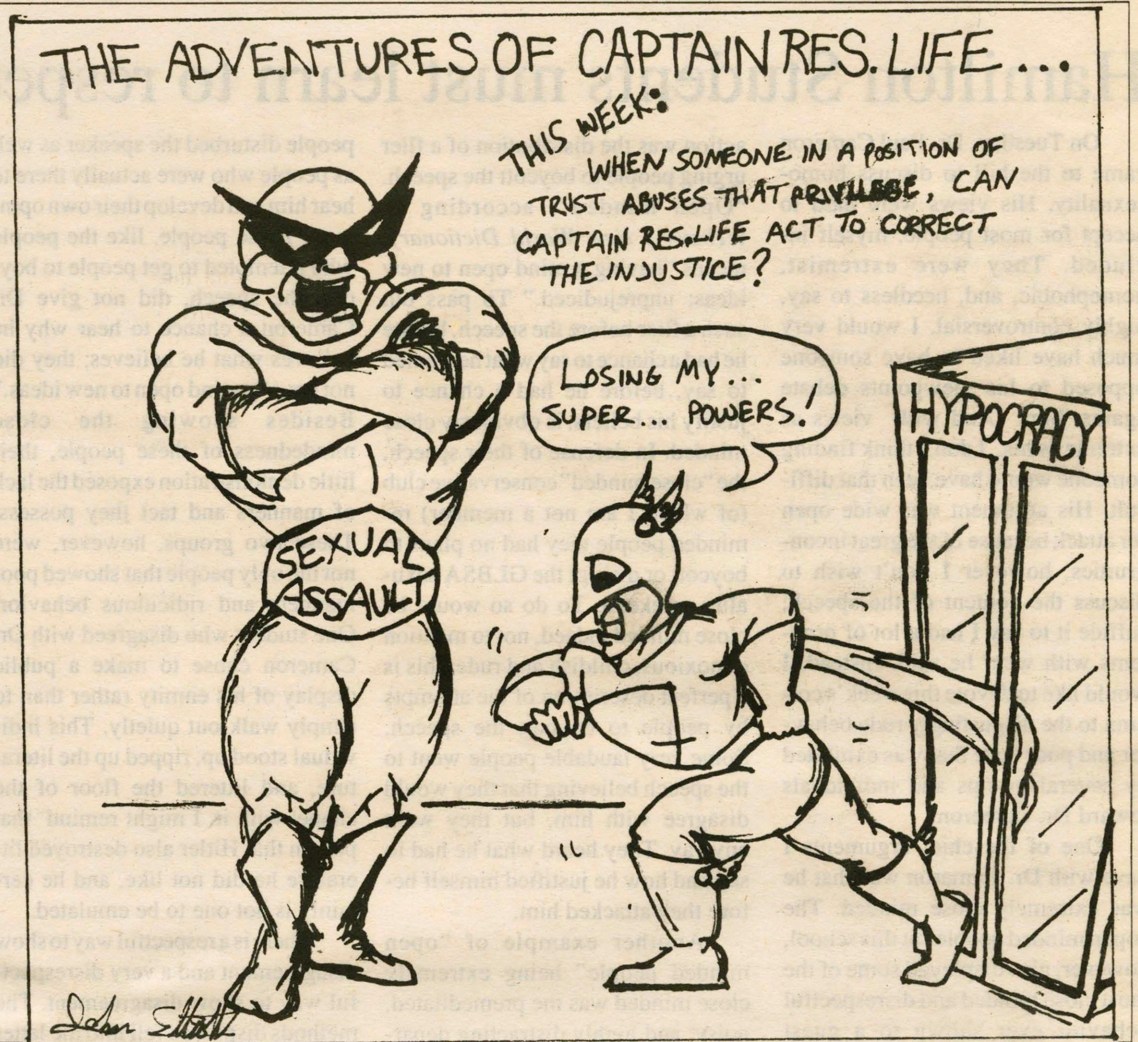

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hamilton needs new sexual harassment policy

To the Editor:

In last week's edition of *The Spectator*, a letter to the editor appeared discussing an incident on this campus concerning an R.A. and the issue of sexual harassment. While we may not know all the intricacies of this particular incident, the fact remains that it is intolerable that the only penalty imposed on this violator was to write a letter of apology to the victim.

This school is wasting precious time. As we travel around from Bates to Middlebury to Williams, we are ignoring one of the fundamental problems of our own institution-the safety of our students. At this rate, no amount of scrutiny outside of our own doors will improve the reputation of this College. If we continue to ignore the fact that incidents like the one described by Mr. Trukenbrod do occur, and fail to take serious action to improve the situation, we will always lag behind.

What else is the Administration hiding? Who else has been harassed or assaulted? Who else only got a slap on the wrist? What we don't know *is* hurting us. If offenders are allowed to hold respected positions here, or are even permitted to continue their education at Hamilton we deserve to fail in our quest for an improved reputation.

Rape is currently destroying the lives of one out of every six women. Why is Hamilton hiding from these numbers? Why do we wait in silence, muffling the screams of its victims, and barely reprimanding the offenders? The answer to these questions lies in the Administration. The offices of Residential Life and the Dean of Students fear that if these instances are exposed Hamilton's reputation will plummet even further, applications will decline. Well, guess what? They're right. How can we honestly question the integrity of a prospec tive when they decline their space i the upcoming class if we cannot prom ise them a secure living environment where those who threaten that secu rity are severely punished?

The crisis of rape is one tha affects every campus. Measures ca be taken here and now, though, tha will hopefully decrease the rate i occurs in our dorms, societies, an other places of residential life. If al the energy used in brushing incident of sexual assault under the carpet wa spent consistently punishing offend ers and working to eliminate the crim in the first place, you can bet Hamilto would be model school. Why sit bac and follow the examples of "The Littl Three," when we can form a policy s innovative and demanding that othe schools will look at us for a model o rape combat?

Leandre M. Waldo '9

Balkan clarifies Quotable Quote

To the Editor:

Quotes taken out of context can be humorous. Last week's quotable Quotes column in *The Spectator* had a quote with my name under it. The quote read "What do we do with deviants in our culture?...We have classes about them." Professor Balkan to his Economic Development Class. Thus the Hamilton College liberal arts core curriculum.

After seeing Werner Herzog's movie "Where the Green Ants Dream" and reading a chapter from the book **Victims of Progress**, my class in Economic Development has a discussion about how different cultures have different sacred concepts, spaces, objects, heroes and norms. We talked about tribal sacred spaces and how these spaces were violated in the movie in the name of economic development and progress. We also talked about our own cultural sacred concepts, spaces, objects and norms. The final point of the discussion was how we would feel if our own sacred objects, concepts and spaced were violated. Instead of labelling differences we should try to understand it.

In this discussion we also talked about how different behaviors violate the sacred norms and how the mainstream culture labels these behaviors as deviance (not deviants). We talked about how the counterculture of the sixties was labelled as deviant by mainstream culture. Bu we also argued that norms chang over time and what was considere deviant behavior becomes part of th mainstream culture. This was to sho that what is considered as **devianc** now, can become part of mainstrea culture.

I have reinstated above th context from which the quote wa taken. As the reader can see, th context in which Mr. Trukenbro placed my comment not only lack humor, but can be considered mis chievous. Unfortunately, the contex in *The Spectator* has the opposit meaning of that which I intended.

Professor Erol Balka

Attitudes

Dorm damage policy unfair says Hamilton dad

To the Editor:

Yesterday, when I opened the latest mail from Hamilton College—regarding my Freshman son, Edward Skala— I found a financial statement with something listed as "student damages" at the bottom, a charge of $10.68. My immediate reaction was, "What Did He Break?" In reading the— unsigned— "letter of explanation," I then found that, no, my son was not "guilty" of any damage, but was being "fined" this amount for what unknown persons had done, with an amount for "General Damages," and another for "Individual Resident Hall Damages"...

For the following reasons, I think this policy is a bad one, bad vis—a—vie economics, bad vis—a—vie morale, bad vis—a—vie equity, and bad vis—a—vie public relations for the college:

1. The $6654.00 in damage is, by an accounting, a minute amount! I do not know your full college budget, but from reading that you take in more than $4,000,000.00 in donations alone, I will conservatively assume that the college takes in at least $6,654,000.00 a year, including tuition, etc., which means that this $6654.00 reflects 1/10 of one percent of the college costs in a year, and is something most other colleges and all public schools would love!

2. There is, in this assessment, an assumption that only those who live in a dorm are ever responsible for damages. Since, however, students do travel all over the campus, including visits to other dorms, there is no reason to believe that any damage was actually "in—house."

3. As a retired teacher, I remember one "rule" we lived by was, "never punish an entire class for the actions of a single individual or only a few..." This "collective punishment" is not good education, in a broad sense, as if it is meant as pressure to have students "rat" on each other, (for anything other than a serious crime and/or injury to someone), as "philosophy," it is even worse! (Please understand that I would have no "mercy" on any one who was identified by the college as a vandal, etc., and I would expel him or her for same.)

4. As far as general public relations— with parents and the community— I think it is not a good idea to announce that there is any vandalism, lest the impression be given that Hamilton College is the same as other campuses, where such acts are an "accepted" part of life. (It would be better for the college to "eat" such a minute cost as $6,654, than to broadcast it, or just to include this in the general tuition, where the amount would go unnoticed!)

For these reasons, I suggest this "damages" policy be reassessed— and dropped right now! I am available to discuss this further with you or whomever else is in charge of this....

Frank Skala

Affleck speaks out against the "keep it in the closet" mentality

To the Editor:

The other day, I was walking along the path, when I overheard a comment concerning the lecture on Tuesday evening. Flyers had been put out on tables and in mailboxes encouraging students to boycott the lecture entitled "Homosexuality and Society". The comment was made in mockery of these flyers, and it disturbed me and so I objected. I asked the person who had made the comment whether he really believed what he was saying , and told him that it upset me that people had such views on a "liberal" campus. I was kindly informed by his friend, that they were not talking to me and that it was none of my business what they thought. Of course, if the situation were reversed, and they were, for lack of a better example, all blonds and I yelled across the path to my friend, "All blonds are stupid and they need a good dye job and some brains!", I'm sure that someone would come up to me and ask if I really believed what I was saying, and object to my comment. If someone is offending something I believe in, such as gay rights, it is definitely my business to object.

One of the people also made the comment that he didn't have a problem with homosexuals, just as long as they keep it to themselves, or "in the closet". This statement upset me the most. First, a person's sexuality and diversity should be celebrated not hidden, and second, why should homosexuals have to keep their feelings undercover when heterosexuals do not have to. What makes heterosexuals so much better, that we can express our feelings freely? I challenge all heterosexuals to try keeping their heterosexuality "in the closet". This means taking down all provocative posters of members of the opposite sex, not showing public displays of affection with members of the opposite sex, and not even talking about members of the opposite sex with members of the same sex. This is a silly thing to do, and heterosexuals do not have to keep their feelings a secret, then why should homosexuals have to? The idea of a closeted heterosexual is rather ridiculous. Then isn't it also ridiculous that homosexuals have to be closeted? I hope that people will rethink their opinions of gays and realize how ridiculous the idea is that "they're okay just as long as they keep it to themselves" Would you want to closet part of your life?

Elizabeth Affleck '96

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Wyckoff's Public Policy Class rejects Chamberlin's health care beliefs: there really is a health care crisis

To the Editor:

Hunter Chamberlin's article, "American Health Care — Not a crisis situation," which appeared in the February 11 issue of *The Spectator*, is very misleading and demands clarification. Mr. Chamberlin asserts the American "health care crisis" does not exist. Furthermore, Mr. Chamberlin alleges that "While on the surface, things may indeed seem bad, a little investigation" would reveal otherwise. We, in Professor Gary Wyckoff's Topics in Public Policy: Health Care Reform class, have done some investigating of our own. We have found that while maintaining superior health care for some, the United States is indeed experiencing a "health care crisis." Dismissing the current problems with the health care system could only breed ignorance.

Mr. Chamberlin's first argument against health care reform is based on the costs of the current system and anticipated costs of a reform. His arguments range from anticipated administrative costs to the recent lull in the increase of health care prices. In each of his arguments he ignores important factors and projects hearsay as fact. According to Mr. Chamberlin, we should not reform the current system because in 1993 the United States experienced the smallest price increase for health care in twenty years. What he fails to mention is that all spending has slowed. Health care rises and falls parallel to other types of spending. Relative to GNP, health care costs are still rising.

Mr. Chamberlin is also worried that any reform will cause a huge swell in administrative costs. He feels that reform will leave us with a "bureaucracy—swollen system wrapped up in red tape." However, under the current system, the number of administrators grew 16 percent more than the number of doctors in the past decade. In 1991, 44 billion dollars was spent on administrative costs. This equates to approximately 40 percent of every health care dollar spent. A reform could help to redirect those 44 billion dollars back to actual health care.

In America today, health care is a privilege not a right. Despite Mr. Chamberlin's attempts at rationalizing the exact number of people who are without insurance, the inequalities of the current system become glaringly obvious. As stated by Mr. Chamberlin, America is one of the wealthier nations in the world, yet 38 to 58 million of its citizens can only receive emergency treatment. Emergency treatment is the most expensive form of health care. Each year, the insured and tax payers must pay more than 25 million dollars for health care administered to the uninsured. These funds could be reallocated more efficiently by providing all citizens with preventative care.

Mr. Chamberlin justifies the high infant mortality rate in the United States by claiming that it has "little to do with the faulty health care system." Once again, we find that he has not thoroughly "investigated" his assertions. A recent study by Grossman and Goldman at the National Bureau of Economic Research has found that infant mortality rates have dropped significantly in communities served by federally funded community center. This clearly documents how preventative care would in the long run be more beneficial to society than last minute emergency care.

Currently, nine out of ten people who have health insurance receive it through their employer. This presents problems for both the employer and the employee. As the economy shifts toward global markets, American companies will be paying the highest medical rates in the world. For example, an American employer's health coverage cost adds about $1,100, about twice as much as in Japan, to the cost of every car made in America. Employees suffer as well. If a worker becomes very sick and must quit working, this person would lose his or her health insurance as well. Workers who have illnesses may also become tied down to specific jobs because of "pre—existing conditions." A pre—existing condition is an ailment which is present before joining a health plan. Most insurance plans today do not cover pre—existing conditions, thereby freezing people in their current jobs.

When Mr. Chamberlin was breaking down the actual number of people without insurance, he acknowledged that, "37 percent of the uninsured are under the age of 25." This is particularly distressing when one understands that demographically this age group is hit the hardest by the AIDS epidemic. If an individual has a fatal disease, securing private insurance is nearly impossible. Medicaid benefits would not be available to these people until they spent down their personal assets to almost nothing.

Finally, the current system of health care provides a disincentive for individuals receiving Medicaid benefits through welfare programs to find employment. Most entry level and minimum wage jobs do not offer health care benefits. Therefore, it would be more beneficial to keep one's Medicaid benefits than to depart from one's welfare program. By reforming the current system we may actually kill two birds with one stone.

Anyone who thinks there is no health care crisis in America better think twice and think personal. Hunter Chamberlin's attempt at defending the current system of health care in the United States was an exercise in futility. There is clearly a crisis in American health care and misleading, poorly informed articles can only breed the type of ignorance that will hinder progress of making the world's best health care better.

Rick Johnson
Carrie Kopriva
Beth Merle
Stephen Hess
John Freedman
Lanethea Matthews
Kyle Bolenbaugh

Doonesbury
BY G.B. TRUDEAU

Personals

To the person who put that note under my door,

Thank you so much. Even if none of it was true, you cheered me up! Who are you??

Love, Sarah

M.L. and S.S.,

Thanks for the best birthday present, even if your maths did go a bit wrong! You and all your helpers are fabulous. I'll miss you all next year.

C.S.

AJ,

Happy Anniversary, honey! I hope things get better! I can't wait for spring break, enjoy the weekend... you deserve it!

All my love, NJ

Spec Crew:

Well, we finally made it through half the semester. No matter what anyone else may say, I think we did a great job. Try not to do too much damage on your week off. Enjoy it and the rest of your break and be ready for the issue on the first week back.

The Spec Czar

Amuh! Hai!

Love, Adeline

LSP—

I missed you this week. Come back and we'll write poetry together!!!

—ESR

Odysseus —

It has been so long. I can't wait for your return, it has been so long. I miss you!!!

—Penelope

Paula Abdul—

I can't wait to see you tonight. We will have fun sitting in the corner not drinking together!!!

— Red Man

Meat—

I would do anything for love, and I would even do that!!!!

—Loaf

Vanilla—

Quit playing that music that you say is funky. It is really terrible, but I love you anyway.

—ICE

Steph—

How is the modelling career coming?

—Former Boss

P.S. I still have those negatives, but don't worry, I will not show them to anyone should you ever run for public office.

Agamemnon—

Boy do I have a surprise for you when you get back!!! I have someone I want you to meet!!!

—Clydamestra

To the girl who's not that strong a swimmer—

I know you. I know you.

—Guess Who

Concord Hotel and Hunter Mountain Ski Resort offers "alternative" Spring Break fun

"I'm going skiing!"

These are the words used by hundreds of students around campus describing their Spring Break plans. Unlike the majority of vacationing Spring Breakers visiting the ever popular Cancun, Mexico, Panama City Beach and Daytona Beach, many students are exploring the skiing option. With the inherent advantage of close proximity and Old Man Winter's countless snow dumpings, skiing in the Northeast has become an attractive alternative.

If you are exploring the skiing alternative, you won't have to look too far because Spring Break packages are available for nearly every big ski resort in the Northeast, including Killington, Lake Placid, Snow Shoe, Waterville Valley, Sugarbush and Hunter Mountain. Rates are typically between $300 and $600, and they usually include accommodations and lift tickets for five days.

Interestingly, the newest Spring Break destination finds New York's Hunter Mountain joining force with the nearby Concord Resort Hotel for a unique program packaging between one to seven days of food, tanning, night life and big name entertainment. **Packages start at $15.**

Looking like the Woodstock of the nineties, this Spring Break package offers performances by the Lemonheads, Run DMC, Violent Femmes, Fishbone, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Wide Spread Panic, They Might Be Giants, Valentine Smith, Jackie "The Jokeman" from Howard Stern and David Spade of *Saturday Night Live*. Interested parties may call 1-800-CONCORD to reserve tickets or inquire about the event.

With all the Spring Break options to consider, it is no wonder why everyone seems to be scrambling to make last minute plans. Whether you are road tripping it South or venturing North, leave your classroom blues behind and enjoy the change of scenery.

Concord Spring Break Rates

Concert:	$15-$20	See show and party at the Concord after.
1 Night:	$80	Show up for dinner at 5 p.m., tan, play sports, party, etc. Go to evening concert, stay overnight, ski next day and enjoy all other activities plus breakfast & lunch, head home around 3 p.m.
2 Nights:	$160	All inclusive.
3 Nights:	$250	All inclusive.
4 Nights:	$325	All inclusive.
5 Nights:	$376	All inclusive.
6 Nights:	$425	All inclusive.

Art icle Pick

Claire Chormann '94
(An all-Niagara Falls Studio Artist)

***Art*icle Pick capabilities:** Sculpture and Video.
Current video advantages: Gives a quicker, more direct process of working.
Current sculpture disadvantages: Building a desk takes forever.
Choice materials: pieces of wood, fenders to be reconstructed, a bag of zippers, canning jars, an old typewriter.
Most reliable supplier: Trash cans in Howard Street, Utica, worth three generations of junk from a family who just moved.
Contribution to the free market: Producing art without spending money. People throw away too many beautiful things that I love to recollect, although not necessarily use.
Most uncommon materials: Empire recycling, honey and salt. They were part of a desk drawer I made, with a combination of vaginas and pears filled with honey and salt coming away.
Transition between sculpture and video: Images are like found objects. You can pick up a video camera and shoot found images rather than found objects.
Technique for video: Taking as much footage as possible and processing it out.
Video creations: Usually not a story. I emphasize some image to explore. Video self-portraits are an invitation to inspect aspects of the self.
Favorite lesbian filmmakers: Su Friedrich and Sadie Benning. The latter, still a teenager, started making small production films in her room about being lesbian and teen. Although our experiences are different, I felt a great connection. I have rarely seen anything so explicit.
Upcoming project upon graduation: Read a lot about things not assigned in school.
Other projects: Artists are flexible in their state of being. I might be trapped in the future, and not be able to feel like doing anything I might conceive now.
Commons delights at the balcony: A salad, two oranges, a cup of chocolate peanut butter ice cream with melted peanut butter.
McEwen delights at the gay table: Curried lentils.
Relationship between art and politics: Everybody is political. The majority of my work is political as a woman and as a lesbian, breaking the usual notion that art cannot be touched. It is said that the best artists transcend time. I am not interested in transcending time, but rather in where I am right now.
Challenge for lesbian artists: Invisibility. Most of Tuesday's lecture was about gay men. During AIDS awareness week, there was little discussion about dental dams or rubber gloves. It seems like the only people who want sex must have penises.
Challenge for gay men artists: Combatting stereotypes.
Feelings about *Art* icle Pick: One of the few things that raises probing questions.
Most probing questions: Those that direct me to talk about my work. I'll trust my instincts and intuition. It takes a while for thought and analyses to catch up with the work.
Garment to wear if it ever gets any warmer: My new navy blueleather jacket with embroidered strawberries and flowers.
Best Hamilton snow: The sticky kind. You can make snowballs, build forts and sled faster on it.
Most admired Hamilton artists: Saori Hoshi and Yance Ford
Concern about the art department: How it can improve its credentials, so that more people feel it's worth majoring in Art.

"I'm trying to live by a philosophy of thoughtful and passionate female friendship."

Spring Dance Concert to feature original student, faculty and alumni pieces

On Fri., March 4 and Sat., March 5 at 8p.m., the annual Spring Dance Concert will be performed in Wellin Hall. The performance includes five student works, three faculty pieces and a reconstruction by 1987 Hamilton graduate Vanessa Paige.

Since graduating from Hamilton, Paige has danced and choreographed professionally with the Albany-based contemporary dance company, Maude Baum and Dancers. Paige's work, "The Shore," celebrates the strength and power of women in life's continual struggle. It is set to the powerful score of Kate Bush.

Professor Leslie Norton presents two works this year: "Swallowtail Reel" and "Twisted Tango." "Swallowtail Reel" premiered at Hamilton in 1985. It is a blend of classical ballet with traditional Scotch/Irish folk dance and performed to Irish contredanse music. "Swallowtail Reel" has subsequently been staged for Mohawk Valley Performing Arts, Utica Danceworks, The College of the Holy Cross and Morningside Dance Festival in New York City.

"Twisted Tango" is a lighthearted spoof on gender roles and the age-old battle of the sexes. The Argentine tango is the prototypical dance of male dominance and female submission, but in this version the tango runs amuck.

Professors Elaine Heekin and Bruce Walczyk will offer the critically acclaimed "Escrima," originally performed by them in Oregon. This martial arts-based duet involves the Filipino, Japanese, Korean and African-Brazilian arts of Kali, Aikido, Tae-kwon-do and Capoeira. The piece is set to a lively score by Nigerian musician Babatunde Olatunji and has been presented throughout the U.S., including at dance festivals located in New York, Chicago, Seattle, Portland and Boston.

Student choreographers selected to present their works in this year's concert are Rebekah Bonsel '95 ("Changes"), Timna Genzlinger '94 ("If I Only Had..."), Ruperto Maura '94 ("Ochun and Yemaya"), Bobbi Perkins '94 ("Follow Me") and Matthew Thornton '94 ("The Deer").

Student performers include Omer Algar '94, Rebekah Bonsel '95, Alicia Buoni '95, Jordan Franceschini '95, Timna Genzlinger '94, Lunshan Liao '95, Ruperto Maura '94, 1993 graduate Ana Morel, Bobbi Perkins '94, Jessica Powell '97, Kristen Shahverdian '96, Matthew Thornton '94, Eiku Tsunematsu '97, Masha Veksler '94 and Nathaniel VerGow '95.

Admission to the performance is $5 for the general public and $3 for students.

A&E wishes everyone a grrrrrrreat Spring Break!

Professor and Poet Judith E. Johnson to give Lecture and Poetry Reading

Judith E. Johnson, poet, fiction-writer and performance artist, will give two presentations at Hamilton on Mon., March 7.

At 4:15 p.m., Johnson will give a slide presentation and lecture on Ethel Schwabacher, the abstract expressionist artist and writer. At 8:p.m., Johnson will offer a poetry reading.

Johnson, past winner of the Yale Series of Younger Poets Award and *Playboy* Fiction Award, has published seven collections of poems, including *How the Dead Count* and the *Waste* trilogy. A past president of the Poetry Society of America, she edits the feminist journal *Thirteenth Moon*. Johnson is also a professor in the women's studies and graduate writing programs of the State University of New York at Albany.

Both events will be held in the Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center and are free and open to the public. A reception will follow the poetry reading.

This poetry reading substitutes a scheduled fiction reading y Hamilton College Professor of English and Creative Writing William Rosenfeld. His presentation will take place by the middle of April.

Johnson

We are always looking for A&E staff writers. It's a great resume builder!

Attention Seniors . . .

Thank you to those who have given or pledged to the

Class of 1994 Scholarship

75% of the Class has pledged and your participation counts towards the Challenge of 94%

Here's your opportunity to make a pledge or to pay your outstanding pledge to the Class of 1994 Scholarship. Stop by the **Beinecke Village Monday, March 7th** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Your friendly Vice-Chairs and Captains will be there to help!

Or, send checks through campus mail payable to Senior Gift Campaign

We are interested in starting a **Book Review** in the A&E section. If you have read something recently that you think other people would want to check out, contact us through Campus Mail or at x 4100.

Calendar & Movies

4 Friday

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
12:00 **French Table.** McEwen Cofeehouse.
7:30 **Film:** In the Line of Fire. Sponsored by the Samuei Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.
8:00 **Spring Dance Concert.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center. $

5 Saturday

5:30 **Lecture.** "A Conversation with an Artist." Joe Lewis. Chemistry Auditorium. Reception to follow in Emerson Gallery, Christian A. Johnson Hall.
7:30 **Film:** In the Line of Fire. Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.
8:00 **Spring Dance Concert.** Wellin Hall, Schambach Center. $

6 Sunday

11:30 **Community Church** (Protestant). Jana J. Roche, Special Guest: Doug Berky performing "Foolosophies," using mime, masks and storytelling. Chapel.
1:00 **Newman Mass** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
3:00 **MAHAS.** New York Philomusica. Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.$
7:30 **Film:** In the Line of Fire. Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. K-J Aud.

7 Monday

10:00 **Conversations with President Gene Tobin.** Beinecke Village.
12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
3:00& **College Course 300 Films:**
7:30 **Alfred Hitchcock,** Vertigo. K-J.
4:10 **Biology Seminar.** "Broadcasting Fables: Evolution of Reproductive Modes in Polychaetes." Dr. Greg Rouse. Science Auditorium.
7:00 **ACOA** Meeting. Penney Room, Bristol Campus Center.
8:00 **Fiction Reading.** Judith Johnson. Dwight Lounge, Bristol.
8:00 **Lecture.** "Why We Need a Canadian-style Health Care System and How We Can Get It. "Congressman Bernard Sanders Vermont. Chapel.

8 Tuesday

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
5:30 **Chinese Table.** Room 104 McEwen.
7:00 **Workshop.** "The Business of Building Your Career in the Arts." (24-hour advanced sign-up required.) Room 242, K-J.

9 Wednesday

12:00 **Spanish Table.** Balcony, Commons Dining Facility.
12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
3:00& **College Course 300 Films:**
7:30 Luis Bnuel, The Obscure Object of Desire. Kirner-Johnson, Aud.
7:00 **Lecture and Slide Presentation.** "America's Golden Age: The 1980's." L.E. Gant, Art Dept; M.H. Isserman, History Department; and D.A. Raybeck, Anthropology Department. Chapel.

10 Thursday

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.
7:00 **Hamilton Environmental Action Group Meeting.** McEwen Coffeehouse.
8:00 **Peer Advising Film.** Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? K-J.

Does anyone remember when our sidewalks had curbs?

MOVIES

Sangertown 797-2121

These movies were playing last week:

Blank Check
Ace Ventura
My Father The Hero
Philadelphia
Sugar Hill
Schindler's List
Blue Chips
On Deadly Ground
My Girl 2
In the Name of the Father

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

Mrs. Doubtfire

Up Town 797-0020

Wayne's World 2
Jurassic Park
Joy Luck Club

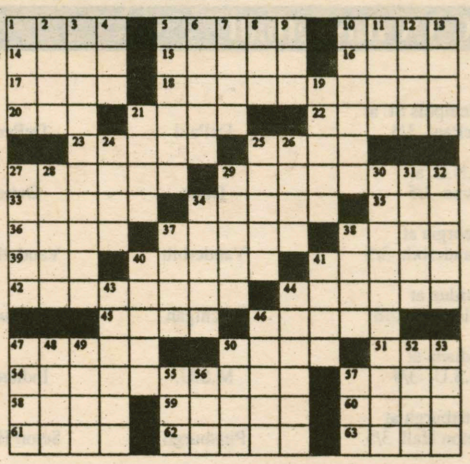
On Campus

In the Line of Fire?
Fri., Sat., Sun., @7:30

Due to the snow, we unable to get movie times. If these movies are playing this week remains a mystery. We suggest phoning ahead before driving to the mall.

Weekly Crossword

" March Madness " By Gerry Frey



ACROSS
1 *Basketball basket*
5 French painter Claude
10 Charts
14 Mechanic's ______:Legal term
15 Fragrance
16 Canadian Indian Tribe
17 God of love
18 *Coach of '91 Ladies NCAA Champ*
20 Meridian for short
21 Building wings
22 Helpers
23 Al & Tipper
25 Actress Moore
27 Backdrops
29 *'87 NCAA runnerup*
33 Meat pastes
34 Bobby Fisher's forte
35 Coopers & Lybrand employee
36 Baseball's Slaughter
37 Use with others
38 Venetian blind part
39 Elsie for one
40 Geodectics:Abrev.
41 ______ Corp
42 *'78 NCAA Champs*
44 Sportscaster Red
45 Ceremony
46 Mr. Pyle
47 Ninnies
50 Red and Black
51 Employ
54 *'89 NCAA Champs*
57 Pin ball disaster
58 Melville title
59 Nautical command
60 Nautical speed unit
61 Sly look
62 Prepares a letter
63 Prefix meaning bone

DOWN
1 Mr. Kadidlehopper
2 River in England
3 *'84 NCAA Champs*
4 Letters
5 Syrup trees
6 Exams
7 Negatives
8 Letters before 4 Down
9 Greek letter
10 Caesar's 1998
11 Dry
12 Mr. Sampras
13 Tennis term
19 The ____ and The Papas
21 Poets words
24 Dollar bills
25 Colorful workers
26 Gaelic
27 Particle
28 Canvas-covered craft
29 Dubious
30 *John Wooden's ten time winners*
31 NASA's concern
32 Diner
34 Strangle
37 Religious group
38 Dry
40 Pretense
41 Ms. Shriver & others
43 Actor Howard
44 Brags
46 Honkers
47 Over-the-hill
48 Not all
49 _____ gin fizz
50 Sharp noise
52 Vegas machine
53 Suffix after major or novel
55 Rodent
56 Harvard plant
57 Pugilistic win

Quotable Quote

" The only thing one can do with good advice is to pass it on. It is never of use to oneself. "

Oscar Wilde

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Spectator Sports

This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Basketball	ECAC's Binghamton TBA		ECAC's Finals TBA				
Women's Basketball							
Men's Ice Hockey	ECAC's Salem St. TBA	ECAC's Finals 7:30					
Men's Squash							
Women's Squash							
Swimming							
Indoor Track & Field							

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

Beat the "Experts"

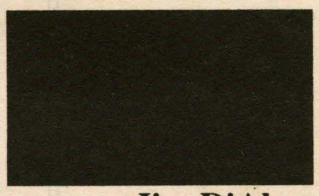
Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *The Garden Cafe Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester, and will be entitled to all the perks therein; namely the free pizza with the works from *The Garden Cafe* and their picture in *The Spectator.*

Specially- Selected Sporting Events	Jack Selby *Spectator Sports Editor* Last Week: 6-7 Semester to Date: 47-30	Jim D'Aleo *Spectator Editor-in-Chief* Last Week:6-7 Semester to Date: 50-27	Sam Walker *WHCL Sports Director* Last Week:6-7 Semester to Date: 47-30	Mills Chapman *Spectator* Sports Writer Last Week's Guest: H. Chamberlin '95 6-7	Stephanie Hedges *Spectator* Photo Editor Last Week's Guest: Stephanie Hedges '96 8-5
NCAA Basketball					
Memphis St. at DePaul 3/5	DePaul	DePaul	DePaul	DePaul	DePaul
U.N.C. at Duke 3/5	Duke	Duke	U.N.C.	U.N.C.	Duke
Georgia at Vanderbilt 3/5	Vanderbilt	Vanderbilt	Vanderbilt	Georgia	Georgia
Purdue at Michigan 3/6	Michigan	Purdue	Michigan	Purdue	Michigan
Indiana at M.S.U. 3/9	M.S.U.	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana
Pittsburgh at Seton Hall 3/5	Pittsburgh	Seton Hall	Seton Hall	Seton Hall	Seton Hall
Texas Tech at Texas A&M 3/5	Texas Tech	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas Tech	Texas A&M
Boston College at Providence 3/5	Providence	Boston College	Boston College	Boston College	Providence
Kansas St. at Iowa St. 3/6	Kansas St.	Iowa St.	Iowa St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.
Virginia at Maryland 3/5	Maryland	Maryland	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Kansas at Oklahoma 3/5	Oklahoma.	Oklahoma	Kansas	Kansas	Oklahoma
St. Louis at U.A.B. 3/5	U.A.B.	U.A.B.	St. Louis	U.A.B.	St.Louis
Louisville at U.C.L.A.	U.C.L.A.	U.C.L.A.	U.C.L.A.	U.C.L.A.	U.C.L.A.

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator.* Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

Suns and Knicks to fight it out at Caeser's

Scorecard



---Jim D'Aleo

NHL: Wasn't **Montreal** supposed to be having a bad season? Wasn't **Patrick Roy** not playing up to his high standards? Well, I guess neither is true. While Roy won the NHL Player of the Month for February on the basis of his 8-0-1 record and two shutouts, Montreal has risen to second in the Northeast, just two points behind **Boston**. It just goes to show that good teams always find a way to win... The **New Jersey Devils** have assigned U.S. Olympic goalie **Mike Dunham** to the minor leagues. Let's hope they learned something from the **Sean Burke** fiasco and try to build up Dunham's stamina. Burke was a great goalie for the short run, but he never got the hand of playing in a full season. Maybe they can teach Dunham that little quirk in the game; you know, the one that says the season is more than 30 games long... I love hockey, but this season does drag on a little. When have they been playing since, July?...

NBA: It may become a rule in the NBA that the **Phoenix Suns** and **New York Knicks** can never play each other. In case you did not hear, these two groups of fine upstanding citizens got into another fight. This time, it was **Charles Barkley** and **Charles Oakley** who battled it out. Can you imagine what would happen if these teams played in the finals when the games actually mean something?... By Tuesday, both Barley and Oakley were fined for their parts in the fight. The loss of cash totaled $5,250 for Barley and $2,250 for Oakley. Oh, no. That's going to cut a huge dent in their pay for the year... The **Dominique Wilkins** for **Danny Manning** trade last week is a very interesting one. Wilkins was the leader on this team, the go-to guy. But Manning is younger, bigger and has more potential for the future. The **Hawks** may have just put themselves in contention for the championship or put themselves into oblivion...

MLB: Finally, **Phil Rizzuto** has made it into the Hall of Fame. My reasoning for being happy about this is different from everybody else. Now that he has finally made it, I won't have to hear another year of whining from everybody in New York. Maybe they'll move on to pushing **Hector Lopez** to his rightful place in the Hall. That is, the hall outside the Hall... It's about time the National League has found a president to replace **Bill White**. He has only wanted to leave for about two years. Now if they can only find an American League President or a commissioner, they will be set. For what, I have no idea... Do you want to know the expectations the **Mets** have for this season. Instead of trying to sign a big-name first baseman, they are having this huge competition with the favorite being **Alan Zinter**, who hit 24 home runs in AAA last season. Considering the Mets' recent past with rookies, they are in trouble if this is who they are depending on... It's sad to see that **Dickie Thon** is retiring. He is still fighting vision problems suffered when he was hit in the head by a **Mike Torrez** pitch in 1984. He had just hit the groove in his career when he was hit; it's sorry to see it ended like that, but unfortunately, it happens...

NCAA: Dick Vitale has signed a six year contract with ESPN that allows him to continue doing college basketball with ABC. This means that Vitale will be with ESPN through 2001. My only question is whether this is a good or bad thing. Vitale's presence in broadcasting indicates to me that you don't need talent to make it in the business, you just need to be loud... The **University of Pennsylvania** has clinched a tournament bid by winning the Ivy League. It's hard to believe with a 22-2 overall record and a 12-2 record within the conference. This may be the first time in a long while that we don't get to see Princeton giving a good team trouble in the tournament... **Notre Dame** had a 10-17 record at the start of the week. Does this mean that they won't get in the tournament... In case you haven't figure it out from the two previous stories, the NCAA will determine the 64 teams that will make it to the tournament. I have a feeling that this year will be a little more interesting than last. Everybody pretty much knew that it would be North Carolina and Michigan in the finals. They were, after all, the two best teams in the NCAA. This year, however, there is not one dominant team. The pairings will be important in determining who will make it to the Final Four. There is a greater possibility than most years that good teams that could go all the way will be paired against each other. We shall see...

MISCELLANEOUS: Despite the fact that the Olympics are now over, we are still bombarded by stories about **Tonya Harding**. At this point, who cares? She lost, and if she goes to jail over her involvement with the **Kerrigan** attack, no one will lose any sleep over it. Leave her alone and find someone else to annoy us with... I thought there was only one thing wrong with CBS' coverage of the Olympics. The morning crew was absolutely annoying. Several times I turned it on, expecting to see some kind of athletic event, and instead, I see **Mark McEwen** in the middle of some small town in the middle of Norway. Not exactly what I wanted to see, to say the least.

Salem St., revenge, in ECAC semis

By Jim D'Aleo'94
Editor-in-Chief

The Hamilton Continental hockey team went into the weekend as a possible playoff team, but not a definite one. In a week that could almost be considered storybook, the Continentals made it into the playoffs with two come from behind one goal wins. A 4-3 overtime win against Middlebury and a 6-5 win against Norwich put the Continentals into the playoff with a number five seed. On Tuesday night, the Continentals kept their season going with a 5-4 come from behind overtime win against #4 St. Anselm's.

Hamilton, by basis of their 11-6-0 record in the ECAC, was given the number five seed in the playoffs. This meant they had to travel to New Hampshire to play St. Anselm's on Tuesday. The two teams met previously met on December 3 at the Sage, where the Continentals won 3-1. This game was another tight one. The Continentals won 5-4 in overtime.

St. Anselm's jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first period. The Continentals did not look to be playing well with one goal coming on the power play and the other while St. Anselm's was shorthanded. Coach Phil Grady acknowledged that the team was not playing well in that first period.

"We weren't skating at top speed," Grady said. "St. Anselm's was and took advantage of that."

After Grady told the team during the first intermission that they had to pick up the tempo, the Continentals came out flying. Sean Brady '96 and Lloyd Polanish '96 scored goals in the second, with Polanish's coming on the power play. After two periods, however, St. Anselm's was still ahead 3-2.

Doug Famigletti '94 tied the score up at three at 3:38 of the third with assists going to Gary Heenan '97 and Shawn Kelly '95. The score stayed tied until 17:54 when Sean O'Connell of St. Anselm's put in a rebound to go ahead 4-3. Familiar with having thier backs against the wall from the previous weekends escapades, the Continentals remained poised.

"The last eight games have been close," Grady said. "St. A's have not been in many close games. That [knowledge] really helped us."

That confidence obviously helped, as Carl Greenhaus '95 kept his slap shot on the ice and put it through goalie John Herrick's legs to tie the score at four. That goal came at 18:55 of the third. An assist was given once again Kelly '95.

The game went into overtime, where the Continentals were able to win at 6:59 when Keith Clark was able to put in a rebound off of a Rusty Feldman '95 shot. Herrick mishandled Feldman's shot and Clark knocked the puck up into the air for the score. The goal raised Clark's season total to five. Grady could not say enough about Clark after the game.

"Keith works hard all the time," Grady said. "When someone works that hard, eventually good things will happen."

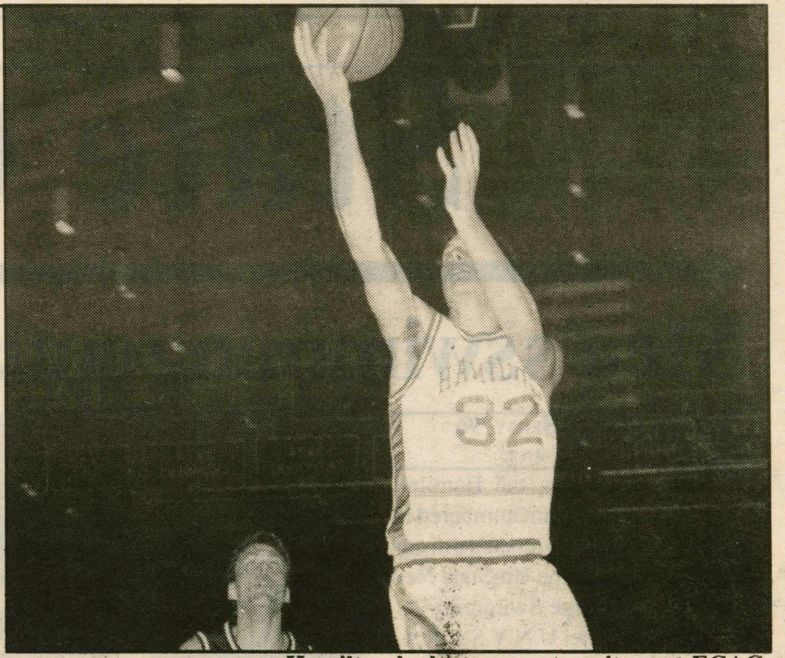
Due to their win, the Continentals will face off against number one ranked Salem State on Friday night at 7:30 p.m. The host the semifinals and finals of the ECACs, Salem State, advanced to the playoffs by beating Holy Cross 8-3 Tuesday. Hamilton last faced Salem on February 5, when the Continentals failed to hold on to a 7-5 lead in the third period and lost 8-7. The Continentals remember that game.

"The kids learned from that game and have confidence they can beat this team," Grady said. "The game plan is exactly the way we should play them. We can't get into a shootout."

Grady is looking for the team to play good defense in order to deny Salem good offensive opportunities. He believes that if the team plays good defense, the offense will just naturally come.

In the other semifinal, number two Bowdoin will play number three University of Connecticut. Bowdoin got to the semifinals by shellacking AIC 10-0. UConn edged out Colby 5-4 on Tuesday.

The winner of the two games will meet in the finals on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.


Hamilton looks to recapture its past ECAC glory this weekend, starting with Binghamton tonight. PHOTO B Y GREG GOODMAN '94

Hoops builds momentum

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The men's basketball has rediscovered its winning ways. After some midseason doldrums and a slow start to the new year, Hamilton reeled off victories in its last five regular season games and roared into the ECAC tournament. In its second successive three-victory week, the Continentals defeated St. Lawrence and Clarkson to finish out the regular season and destroyed arch-rival Union in the opening round of the ECAC tournament. While the now 17-8 Continentals may be a little irked after playing themselves out of NCAA contention, they have exacted sweet revenge in winning this week's games by 25, 26, and 21 points respectively. The Continentals roll into tonight's semi-final match-up against Binghamton who defeated Skidmore on Wednesday, 90-72. The finals of the tournament will be held on Sunday at 3:00 at a site to be determined and will feature the winner of the Hamilton-Binghamton game versus the winner of the Ithaca-Elmira game.

The Continentals made their annual Arctic trek up to play Clarkson and St. Lawrence last week-end. On Friday night, the overmatched Green Knights of Clarkson played host to a hot Continental squad. This game was never really in question as Hamilton produced an early 19-3 run and never looked back. All five Continental starters scored in double figures as Hamilton rolled 86-61. The Hamilton big men were virtually impossible for Clarkson to defend as Chris Harper '94 began what would prove to be a big week with 19 points and 14 rebounds, and Joe Mrozienski '96 added 13 points and 11 boards of his own. Scott Pace '96 also chipped in 13 points, while Clarkson wasted 23 points from their ace Mitch Nemier.

Hamilton travelled down the road on Saturday to take on the Saints of St. Lawrence. Once again, the Continentals had too much size and muscle inside as the hosts were unable to rebound or score anywhere near the paint. Hamilton also put this one away early and coasted to a 96-70 victory. Harper again led the way with a monster game of 21 points and 11 rebounds, while Mrozienski matched his frontcourt mate with 21 points and 13 rebounds. Fran D'Agata '95 and Erin McCann '95 chipped in 16 and 13 points respectively. Bruce Kingsley led the overmatched Saints with 18.

Seeded number three in the ECAC tournament, the Continentals hosted the number six seeded Union on Wednesday night in first-round action. Hamilton not only wanted to finish their season with an ECAC championship but also hoped to avenge a disappointing 83-73 loss at Union last month. The inspired Continentals jumped out to an impressive 12 point lead early on and survived a barrage of Dutchmen three-pointers at the end of the first-half to go into the locker room with a 41-35 halftime lead. D'Agata was impressive controlling the tempo in the first-half, and succeeded in getting the ball into Mrozienski who paced the Continentals with 14 first-half points.

A quick jumper by Union closed the gap to four at the beginning of the second half, but the Continentals took notice and never looked back. Inspired by the brilliant play of Harper who was all over the place blocking shots, making steals, rebounding, and scoring, Hamilton staked a ten point lead and quickly upped it to 18 with 13:00 to go. Strong rebounding and a dynamic running game kept the lead increasing all the way up to 31 with 6:16 to go, before the Continentals closed out a strong 88-67 win. This 21 point victory was undoubtedly Hamilton's most impressive of the season, as the offensive was firing on all cylinders and the rebounding was powerful. The Continentals outrebounded the Dutchmen 59-35, dished out 22 assists - 11 by D'Agata - and shot nearly 50 percent from the field (37 of 75). This all around dominating performance was keyed by Harper's 14 points and 14 rebounds, McCann's 17, and D'Agata's 14. Mrozienski finished with 21 to lead all scorers. Union was paced by Reinis Kanders who poured in 18 for the Dutchmen. The Continentals now hope this recent hot streak will take to the road with them as they travel to Binghamton for the semi-finals tonight.

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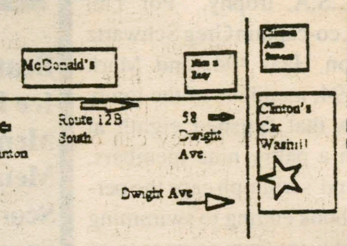

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State Champions!

Men's swimming outlasts Union, Hartwick for the crown

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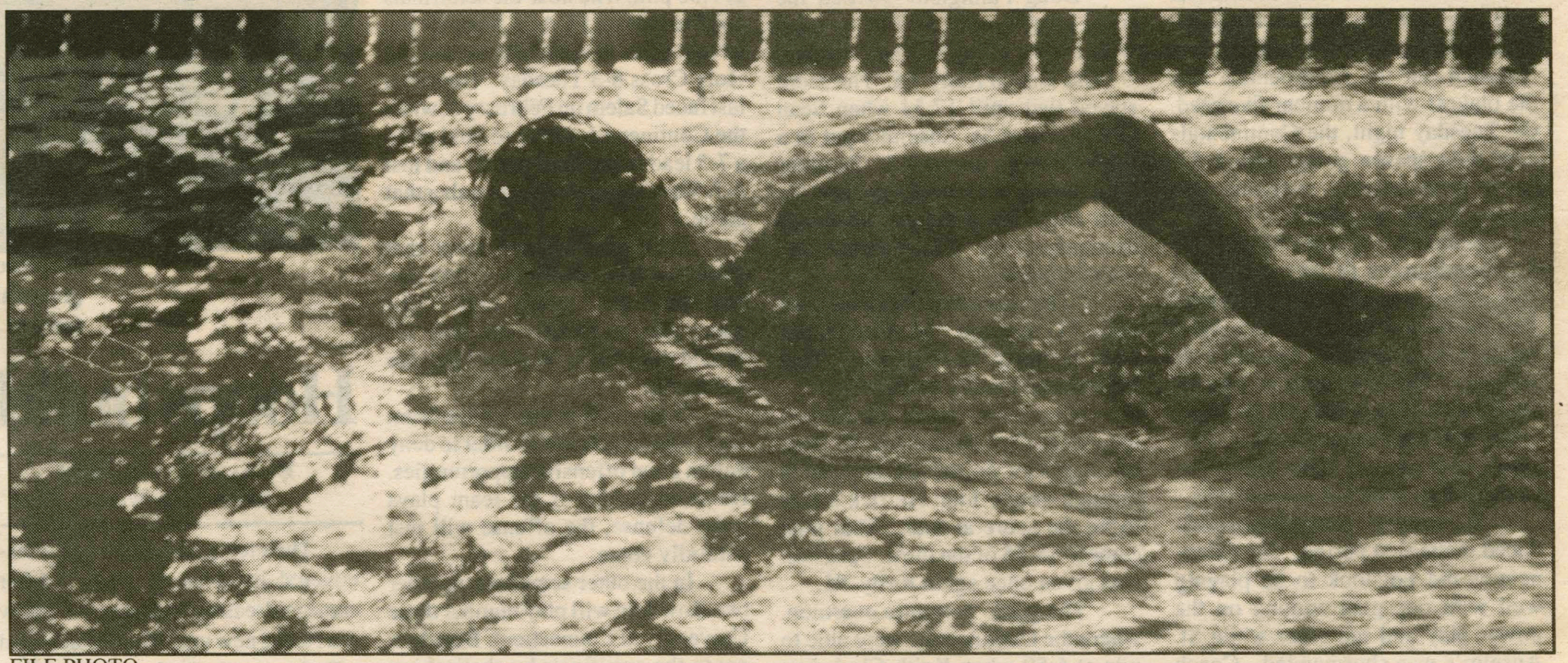

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The Hamilton men's swimming team finally achieved thier elusive goal of the past decade and a half. Last weekend, the squad overpowered Union and Hartwick to capture the U.N.Y.S.C.S.A. state title.

Four years ago, the Hamilton men's swimming team numbered no more than nine, and finished a disappointing eighth at the Up-State New York Small College Swimming Association (hereafter U.N.Y.S.C.S.A.) meet. Coach Dave Thompson's arrival six years earlier in 1984 had brought steady improvement to his team's accomplishments up to the fateful 1991 U.N.Y.S.C.S.A. state meet, but this temporary setback presented his swimmers, his program, and himself with a considerable challenge. In a tough league of extremely strong swimming programs, namely perennial powers Union and Hartwick, Thompson needed to rejuvenate Hamilton's program in order to stay competitive. Three years later, four of those nine swimmers now leave Hamilton as seniors, and as state champions.

Three years later, at the start of the 1993/4 season, the size of the team more than tripled bringing the total to an even thirty. Strength in numbers provided the team with exceptional depth unmatched anywhere in the state, and amongst the squad All-Americans Jacob Michlewicz '95 and co-captain Jonathan Green '95 stood supreme as individual leaders. The upcoming campaign seemed promising, but the dual meet season acts only as a pre-season of sorts, with the state meet providing the ultimate climax to four months of grueling practices and workouts that rewards only one school with the coveted championship crown.

The preparation for the U.N.Y.S.C.S.A. meet went as planned, and the Continentals posted an undefeated record that positioned them as favorites going into the long awaited meet held in the unfriendly confines of rival Union. In route to going 8-0, Hamilton swept past Union by a narrow 27 point decision, and rolled over 1993 state champion Hartwick by a much more substantial margin. Confidence levels rose to all-time new highs for the Continental swimmers, but the past cast considerable shadows on their championship possibilities. The three day meet traditionally saw the Continentals sprint out to a comfortable lead in the first day, but as third day approached, the Continentals annually fought for their lives to stave off the hungry opposition. Two years ago, the fateful Saturday saw the Continentals drop to second, and last year, they fell to third, and this year, they once again stood a healthy distance ahead of the pack after the first day, but their staying power atop the leader board definitely remained in doubt.

Hamilton wasted no time in dropping its anchors of the meet, as Michlewisz and Greene set a phenomenal pace for their teammates to follow. In the 200-yd fly, Michlewisz rewrote the state record with an astounding time of 1:52.32, and continued his dominance accordingly in the 100-yd fly with another school record time of 50.31, both times good for first place finishes. Not to be outdone, Greene honed his energies towards his speciality, the 1650-yd free, with a time of 16:10.40. His time, along with Michlewicz's two butterfly times, earn each swimmer a trip to Nationals in the spring.

The depth of the Hamilton team provided other outstanding individual performances, with Dan Glass '96 especially setting an exceptional pace in three events. A 1:55.5 in the 200-yd I.M., a 59.07 in the 100-yd breast, and a 2:09.10 in the 200-yd breast put Glass in the hunt for Nationals' qualification in all three different events, but more importantly, his times kept the powerhouse swimmers of Union and Hartwick momentarily at bay. His understudy, freshman sensation Justin Kreter, established himself as a prominent force to be reckoned with in the years to come. Kreter posted a new school record in the 200-yd breast with a time of 2:08.9, and bested teammate Glass slightly once again, this time in the 100-yd breast with a time of 59.04. Like Glass, Kreter put himself in great position for a trip to Nationals, but at the same time provided some punch to Hamilton's renown depth. Hamilton's strength in its relays also helped pad their early lead in meet, with both 200-yd medley and 400-yd medley times setting new school records with times of 1:35.77 and 3:30.99 respectively. The 800-yd free relay also eclipsed past Hamilton greatness by posting an amazing 7:03.11

Despite the individual heroics of Hamilton's top four individual swimmers and the record setting relays, Union and especially Hartwick kept coming after the dwindling Continental lead. Hartwick, after losing decisively to the Continentals in Bristol pool over Christmas break, seemed ready to make a final run. According to Coach Thompson, the strategy utilized by Hartwick kept them at a breakneck pace all year that stopped for nothing, including dual meets. This accounted for their lackluster performance against Hamilton back in January, as Thompson deduced, "They were playing possum all along." As the sleeping giant finally awoke to contest its quest to repeat as state champions, the youthful brigade of Union All-Americans failed to match Hamilton's depth, bringing the pinnacle of the season to Saturday night's showdown between Hamilton and Hartwick.

Saturday morning preliminaries provided little promise for the first Hamilton U.N.Y.S.C.S.A. meet championship since 1977. Hartwick's training seemed to peak exactly at the right time, almost at the right hour, as they entered the evening events with an impressive squad of swimmers ready to regain their glory of 1993. Admittedly, the prospects looked dim for the Continentals, as another championships looked destined to slip through their fingers at the eleventh hour of the meet. The tension, the nerves, the anxiety all culminated in an emotional final three hours that in the end would separate the pretenders from the contenders, second place from first place.

For the Continentals, the arrival of Saturday night seemed like an eternity, but the sacrifices, the dedication, and the expended efforts of the team all combined, gave the squad more than a reason to refuse to let the meet escape their grasp. They positioned themselves for a chance to win, and the opportunistic attitude of the team refused to take this privilege for granted after a neverending season of endless hard work. Thompson rallied his troops, and with the tabulation of the final score, the heart of the Hamilton squad prevailed at last 1456 to Hartwick's 1443. The thirteen point differential matched the exact same total separating the team from the crown two years ago, and provided poetic justice for a squad destined to finally achieve their ultimate goal Coach Thompson won Coach of the Meet award for masterfully pacing his men at a steady rate that managed to overcome relative individual deficiencies in comparison to the handful of superstars that headlined the oppositions' rosters. Thompson and his team won the meet because of outstanding efforts by the entire cast, namely the "B" relays, which posted impressive times of 1:38.9 in the 200-yd medley relay, and 3:39.0 in the 400-yd relay. Such unheralded performances perfectly complemented the outstanding performances of the Continentals' All-Americans, and allowed the Hamilton men's swimming team to overcome the hump that so long prevented them from walking away with the U.N.Y.S.C.S.A. trophy. For Tim Lynch '94, co-captain Greg Schwartz '94, Jason Haas '94, and Mark Callahan '94, members of the lowly 1991 team that finished eighth at states with a paltry nine members, last weekend's triumph caps the perfect story-book ending to swimming careers that went from so poor to so rich in only four years.

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